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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) 2002/03-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
11	State, Local and Transit Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none">Modifies, adds or deletes various projects from various funding programs in San Diego County. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, National Highway System (NHS), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), Federal Demonstration Program, Federal Discretionary Program, Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 3037, 5307 and 5309 Programs. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 11 for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming has been found by the SANDAG not to require a conformity analysis because the projects included in this amendment have either been included in the most recent regional emission analysis with no significant changes to the design concept, scope or implementation schedule, are exempt from conformity determination requirements or will not affect the outcome of the regional emission analysis. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are

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compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by SANDAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The SANDAG prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. This FTIP Amendment is consistent with SANDAG Intergovernmental Review (IGR) process.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,



JIM NICHOLAS
Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

- c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Gary Gallegos - San Diego Association of Governments
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- Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans